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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

- 1. The name of the Association shall be the "Winnipez Conservative Club."
- 2. The objects of the Association shall be the maintenance of British connection; the advancement of Canadian interests and industries; the advocacy of the adoption and strict enforcement of pure and stringent election laws; the promotion of the cause of good Government; opposition to everything which may interfere with the independence of Parliament; the dissemination among the members of a thorough knowledge of Canadian history, and the various political questions of the day; and the thorough organization of our party so as to secure unity of action among its members in Provincial and National election contests.
- 3. The members of the Association hereby bind themselves to act in concert to promote the objects thereof, and each member thereof hereby pledges himself to be guided in his political action and conduct by the wish and opinion of the Association, expressed by resolution in writing at any

regular meeting thereof, or special meeting called for that purpose; and in the event of any member hereof proving refractory and acting contrary to the so expressed wish and opinion, as aforesaid, of this Association; such member, upon due notice of the time and place of enquiry and the accusation against him, and upon proof of the said accusation, may be reprimanded or required to withdraw from the Club, and in the event of his refusal to withdraw, shall be expelled by a vote of the majority at any regular or special meeting-called for that purpose.

- 4. All Conservatives in the Province of Manitoba may become members of this Association by signing the Constitution and By-laws and paying the prescribed fee.
- 5. The members must be either Active Members, Members for Life, or Honorary Members. Active members shall be all persons who shall sign the Constitution and By-laws and pay the prescribed fee; members for life shall be such persons as shall contribute \$25 towards the funds of the Association; honorary members shall be prominent members of the party non-resident in the Province, who shall be elected by a two-thirds vote of the Club present at any regular meeting.
- 6. The officers of the Association shall be a President, ten Vice-Presidents, a Sceretary, and a Treasurer.

- 7. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers and forty members of the Association, ten to be chosen from each Ward; twenty shall form a quorum of the Executive Committee.
- 8. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer, and Executive Committee shall be nominated and elected annually at the Annual Meeting of the Club, such meeting to be held on the second Friday in January in each year.
- 9. The Club shall meet on the second Tuesday of each month, at eight o'clock p.m., in such place in the city as may be fixed upon, and may adjourn from time to time as occasion may require. Twenty-one members to form a quorum at all regular or special meetings.
- 10. A special general meeting may be called at any time by the President, two Vice-Presidents, five members of the Executive Committee, or fifteen members of the Association.
- 11. The Executive Committee shall meet on the same evenings as the general meetings of the Club are held, and special meetings may be convened by the President, or in his absence by the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of such officers by five members of the Executive Committee, and notice of such meeting and its objects shall be given by the Secretary to each member of the Committee.

- 12. The duty of the Executive Committee shall be to attend to all matters of the Club during the intervals between the general meetings, to see that the Secretary obtains and keeps a correct copy of the Voters' List; to see that all members of the Club, or parties likely to support the nominees thereof, are correctly placed thereon, and they shall have in their discretion power to appoint counsel to see that this is effectually done, and to call meetings of the Club as occasion may require and as may be deemed necessary and expedient.
 - 13. The duty of the Ward Committees shall be to report quarterly to the Executive Committee all matters of interest and importance in their respective Wards; to be especially particular each year that the Assessment Rolls be correctly made out and revised; and to enable each Ward Committee the better to perform such duties, a correct copy of the Assessment Roll for each Ward for each year shall be furnished by the Executive Committee to each Ward Committee, and the Ward Committee shall be responsible for the Assessment Roll being at all times in such condition, that in the event of an election contest a definite idea of the strength of our party can at once be formed, and to enable them the better to perform such duty, they must keep a copy of the return at the last election in said Electoral Division, and any persons who have been assessed since the last election must from time to time be canvassed by

such Ward Committee and their political views ascertained.

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- 14. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the roll of membership, to attend all meetings of the Club and the Executive Committee; to keep accurate minutes of the proceedings; to conduct all correspondence, to notify all members in arrears for dues; to procure in each year certified copies of the Voters' List of the several wards of the city of Winnipeg, and to keep the same at the office of the Association; to furnish copies of such lists to the several Ward Committees and to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the By-laws of the Club or by resolution of the Executive Committee, and to supply the members with cards of membership.
- 15. There shall be a Nominating Committee of the Association composed of the President and all the officers and Executive Committeemen thereof.
- 16. It shall be the duty of the Secretary immediately after a vacancy occurring, either for the Local Legislature or the House of Commons for the County of Selkirk, forthwith to issue notices to all the members of the Nominating Committee, and such committee shall at once proceed with the nomination of a candidate, and shall adjourn from day to day until a candidate is selected, such candidate to be selected by a majority of the nominating body present, and thirty to form a quorum,

such nomination to be submitted to the ratification of the Club, a general meeting of which must be convened by the Secretary at the earliest possible moment after such nomination.

- 17. Each Active member of the Club shall pay an annual subscription of two dollars at least, payable half yearly in advance.
- 18. The funds of the Club shall be under the control of a sub-committee of the Executive Committee, to be called the Finance Committee, which shall consist of five members one of whom shall be the President, and such Finance Committee shall be elected by the Executive Committee.
- 19. All funds of the Club shall be paid to the Treasurer, who shall keep correct accounts of all moneys which shall pass through his hands, and shall be responsible for the safe keeping thereof, and who shall also notify the Secretary of such members as may be from time to time in arrears for dues.
 - 20. All funds of the Association shall be deposited in a chartered bank in the name of the Association, and shall only be drawn on the cheque of the Treasurer countersigned by the President when ordered by the Finance Committee.
 - 21. No amendment or alteration of the Constitution shall be made except at a special meeting of the members called for that purpose or at the

Annual Meeting, and then only by a two-third vote; and no such amendment or alteration-shall be entertained unless a notice of the intention to move the same shall have been posted up in a prominent place in the office of the Club for at least one month previous to the holding of the meeting at which such amendment or alteration is to be proposed.

- 22. No person shall be admitted to the rooms of the Club unless he be a member or be introduced by a member, and a book shall be kept in which members must write the names of persons they desire to introduce.
- 23. In the event of any Conservative Club in the Province of Manitoba desiring to become affiliated with this Club, it shall be competent for the Executive Committee to arrange the terms of such affiliation, and the relations of such affiliated bodies, and the terms thus agreed upon, so far as they impose duties upon officers of the Club, shall have the same force and effect as if they had been regularly, incorporated in the Constitution and By-laws of the Association.
- 24. It shall be competent for the Executive Committee from time to time to make new By-laws for the better government of the Club, which By-laws shall take effect after one months' notice, and being submitted to and approved by any general meeting.

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